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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby brings the following information, which information was cited in a European Search Report (submitted herewith in English) issued in connection with European Application No. EP 00 11 6148. The Examiner is referred to the European Search Report for an indication of the relevance given by the European Examiner to the cited documents relative to the claims of the European application.

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Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), the undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Of course, this statement does not apply to information that has previously been cited by Applicant or the Examiner in the present application as that information is already of record and no certification is necessary.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding this matter, the undersigned

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